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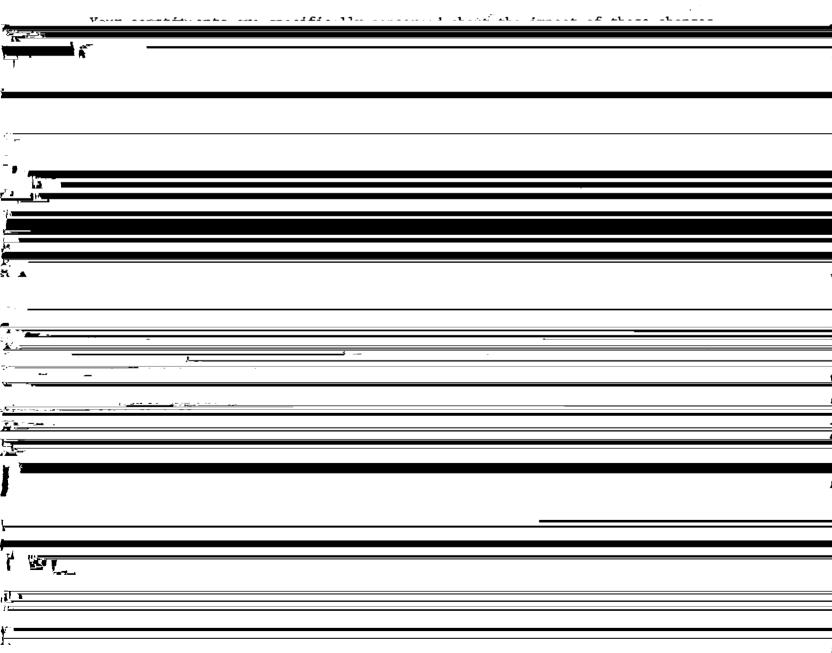
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Honorable E (Kika) de la Garza, M.C. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Dear Congressman de la Garza:

This is in reply to your letter of February 22, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of several of your constituents regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235, 57 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.



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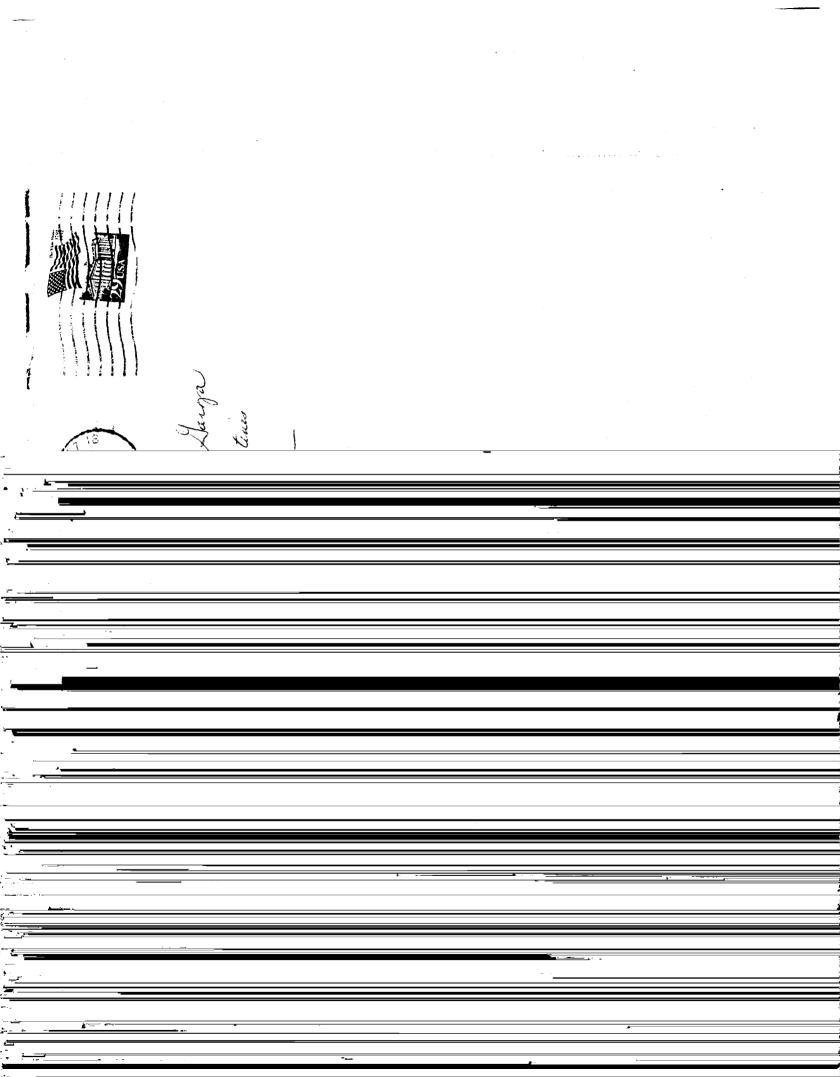
Dear Mr. E. de la Garza;

The Federal Communications Commission is proposing a Rule making, Docket 92-235, which I am deeply concerned with my business as well as a Hobby/Sport that I have been involved in since 1948 being Minature Aircraft. Six years ago I was laid off from my job at Marathon Battery Co. Since I was over 50 years old I was over qualified for any job, so I started my own business in Nickel Cadmium Battery service and repair. 70% of my business has evolved from Radio Control Minature Aircraft, of which this docket will virtually destroy. I have been flying Radio Control Minature Aircraft since 1959 and have seen the development of a very good hobby/sport of which is being enjoyed by a very large number of people that are retired and not playing golf or other activities of that nature.

My Son and I are active competitors in local, and National contests with Radio Control Minature Aircraft. We own 10 pieces of radio equipment worth over \$ 400. each that will be worthless if this frequency assignment is adopted. I have been President of the Heart of Texas Minature Aircraft Club, Inc. 9 times and Have edited and published that newsletter for 20 years. I am presently a Associate Vice President of Academy of Model Aeronautics, which governs the rule making of the sport. I realize that the lobby going for the adoption is great, but all we are asking for is the small spectrum that we have been using since we were not able to use the Citizen band frequencies and were given the 72 mHz frequencies.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as other business but I am just trying to make a living and enjoy my hobby. The hobby provides may hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the aviation industry as well as RPV.

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